

REFERENCE TITLE: animal fighting

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Introduced by
Senators Aboud: Aguirre, Pesquiera; Representative Sinema

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 13, CHAPTER 29, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTIONS 13-2910.09 AND 13-2910.10; RELATING TO ANIMAL CRUELTY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 13, chapter 29, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended
3 by adding sections 13-2910.09 and 13-2910.10, to read:

4 13-2910.09. Animal fighting; exemption; classification

5 A. A PERSON COMMITS ANIMAL FIGHTING BY KNOWINGLY:

6 1. OWNING, POSSESSING, KEEPING OR TRAINING ANY ANIMAL WITH THE INTENT
7 THAT SUCH ANIMAL ENGAGE IN AN EXHIBITION OF FIGHTING WITH ANOTHER ANIMAL.

8 2. FOR AMUSEMENT OR GAIN, CAUSING ANY ANIMAL TO FIGHT WITH ANOTHER
9 ANIMAL, OR CAUSING ANY ANIMALS TO INJURE EACH OTHER.

10 3. PERMITTING ANY ACT IN VIOLATION OF PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2 TO BE DONE ON
11 ANY PREMISES UNDER THE PERSON'S CHARGE OR CONTROL.

12 B. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO ANY ACTIVITY INVOLVING THE
13 POSSESSION, TRAINING, EXHIBITION OR USE OF AN ANIMAL IN THE OTHERWISE LAWFUL
14 PURSUITS OF HUNTING, RANCHING, FARMING, RODEOS, SHOWS AND SECURITY SERVICES.

15 C. ANIMAL FIGHTING IS A CLASS 5 FELONY.

16 13-2910.10. Presence at animal fight; classification

17 ANY PERSON WHO IS KNOWINGLY PRESENT AT ANY PLACE OR BUILDING WHERE
18 PREPARATIONS ARE BEING MADE FOR AN EXHIBITION OF THE FIGHTING OF ANIMALS OR
19 WHO IS PRESENT AT SUCH AN EXHIBITION IS GUILTY OF A CLASS 1 MISDEMEANOR.